



Preserving America's Heritage

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Ms. Ann F. Miles
Director
Office of Energy Projects
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20426

Ref: *Mountain Valley Pipeline (FERC Docket PF15-3-000)*
West Virginia and Virginia
Atlantic Coast Pipeline (Docket Nos. CP15-554-000 & CP15-555-000)
West Virginia, Virginia, and North Carolina

Dear Ms. Miles:

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) has recently received inquiries about the referenced undertakings and the status of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC's) compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) [54 U.S.C. 306108] and its implementing regulations, "Protection of Historic Properties" (36 C.F.R. Part 800), for these projects.

We have checked our records but cannot find any notification from FERC. Therefore, we request your assistance in investigating the Mountain Valley Pipeline and Atlantic Coast Pipeline. We would appreciate you informing us of the current status of these projects, including steps that FERC has taken to comply with the requirements of Section 106 of the NHPA. We are particularly concerned about FERC's outreach to stakeholders. The National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP) advised us that stakeholders have requested to be consulting parties for the Section 106 review, but were denied that status because they are intervenors in the FERC review process. If this is true, we would like an explanation and clarification of how consulting parties will be approved going forward with the Section 106 review process.

We thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter. Should you have questions, please contact Dr. John T. Eddins at (202) 517-0211 or by email at jeddins@achp.gov.

Sincerely,

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